

a "will that shrank from no moral
objections

gave him a final mastery,

The picturesque side as well as the
solid jutrts of
his character, his successes an
compared with his
obscure origin, secured him the
admiration «»f his
own times and those which
remembered him.

The historian Anna Conmena, writing a
general km

later from the record of Greeks who
knew the great

Norman, sums up strikingly the
impressive figtm*

which the refined and punier Byzantine*
hntl every

cause to fear. She describes him its n
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obscure fortune, desirous of dominion,
nritfty,

strong-handed, greedy of others'
possession*!, nuwt

tenacious in following his object, and
not to he

thwarted by any means from the end
h«* fiiittrtt at,

In stature he dominated all men, his
nkiit w«t»

ruddy, his hair blonde, his Hhouldtw wit
It*, lib ry«*n

a dead blue like the sea, Ilk hearing
wiw plt*«;i«

.ant and polished,* altogether from
head to linit. a

most comely man; his voice like that of
AchiHwt

sounded like the noise of a great army. *

In his private life Guiseard sc*enu; to
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spired much affection. The conquest of
S«wlltrnt

Italy was a family undertaking; anumg
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sons of Tancred, Robert uttainril the*
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place as he was perhaps th« al>!est, hut

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much generosity to the brother?* wlu»

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fortunes with him, It is too much to
rsjwt that
he should have resigned Apulia tti tin?
utm t»f
Humfrey, But the younger William,
* P. 50, *Cwput lcript. By*.t* vol. I